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PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 04329.2620-01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
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Hiroshi NOMURA et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 2851
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Application No.: 10/657,251	)	Examiner: Alan A. MATHEWS
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Filed: September 9, 2003	)	
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For: EVALUATION MASK, FOCUS	)	Confirmation No.: 4036
MEASURING METHOD AND	)	
ABERRATION MEASURING	)	
METHOD	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

In reply to the Office Action mailed December 16, 2004, the period of response extending through March 16, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper.